

**ECKERSLEY-HALL BUILDING COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2012
POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY ROOM
6:00 PM**

Members Present: Ron Klattenberg, Ed Dypa, Augie DeFrance, Phil Pessina, Annabelle Malone, Ed Monarca
Members Absent: Trevor Davis, Ryan Kennedy, Larry Riley, Bill Wasch
Others Present: Beth Lapin, Ron Organek,

1.0 OPEN MEETING

Chair Klattenberg opened the Eckersley Hall Building Committee meeting at 6:00 PM at the Police Department Community Room.

2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Klattenberg asked for approval of the September 24, 2012 minutes. Ed Monarca made the motion to accept, seconded by Augie DeFrance. The vote to approve was unanimous, with two abstentions.

3.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Beth summarized the expenses since the last financial statement in August. She noted that the Bond Issue account, currently with a \$705,372.44 balance, has \$242,189.38-worth of expenses encumbered against it, leaving \$463,183.06 for future projects such as SHPO matching funds. It was suggested that these encumbered amounts be added to the financial report to show an actual amount available.

BUDGET ITEMS

There were none at this time.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

With the recent commitment of \$300,000 (state) and existing \$75,000 (city) Ron O. asked who would manage these funds. Ron K indicated the Military Museum had become a public works project; so Bill Russo would be in charge. Ron O. asked who would pay for demolition. Ron K. indicated the Connection has expressed interest in the demolition or the contractor hired to do the Senior Center construction working with the Public Works Dept would most likely be responsible for the demolition and removal. Ron O had gotten several calls from veterans wanting to help with construction of the new museum. Ron K indicated the mayor preferred ModSpace because they were local and reduced their price. Ron K. suggested that Ron O. and other veteran organizations set up an appointment with the mayor to discuss what role the veteran's organizations can play in the new museum project.

5.0 OLD BUSINESS

COORDINATOR/ASSISTANT CONTRACT

This will be addressed after the referendum.

SHPO RESTORATION FUNDS: BUDGET

Beth reported that, during her visit with Laura Mancuso from SHPO, the Senior Center project was identified as a rehabilitation project, not restoration, which allowed for changes and reduction of some costs. Concurring with the committee, SHPO felt copper leaders and drainpipes would encourage theft and questioned the need for it in the drip line, also.

John Ireland (unable to attend due to illness) submitted by email two separate budgets related to the SHPO project. The roof replacement was proposed at \$133,339, while the rehabilitation of the exterior was proposed for \$316,684. This totaled \$450,023. SHPO indicated no penalties for applying with a project that exceeds the \$400,000 of the grant.

Ron explained that the need to document that the city had encumbered money for the total project. With enough money in the account to make this commitment, Ed Dypa made a motion to encumber up to \$450,023 of the Bond Issue Fund for the SHPO grant. Seconded by Ed Monarca, the vote was unanimous.

LEED

This was tabled because John Ireland was not present.

OUTREACH TO ORGANIZATIONS

Beth distributed flyers to committee members for their use. Flyers will be available at voting locations, the library, city hall, and the senior center.

Several presentations on the Senior Center have already occurred: Ed Dypa spoke at the senior boat ride with 138 people, while Karen Nocera handed out flyers; Oct 3: Comcast show with Jerry Rankin was taped including Augie, Ed Dypa, Tom Serra, John Ireland, and Ron K. This one-hour TV show will air Sundays from 7:00-8:00 p.m. starting October 14th through and including Sunday, November 4th. Ron K will ask Comcast for copies of the DVD to play at the Senior Center; Oct 4: Central Business Bureau, Ron and Trevor, The Comcast Veteran's Affairs show with Ron Organek will air with Larry Riley and Ron K on Tuesday's through the month of October at 7:00 (or 8:00?) p.m; Oct 10, Kiwanis lunch talk given by Ron K.

Upcoming events: Ron K and Ed Dypa, Phil P. lunch for Senior Center Friday, October 26, 2:30 to 4:00 pm.

The question arose as to whether there would be a generator, so the senior center could be used as an emergency center. Ed Dypa said emergency management indicated that the middle school would be modified if a center were needed in the south end of town.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

MILITARY MUSEUM PLANS

This was already discussed under PUBLIC COMMENTS.

7.0 OTHER BUSINESS

The next meeting, scheduled for October 22, will occur only if there are agenda items to consider prior to the election. Beth will let the committee know if it will be cancelled.

8.0 ADJURNMENT

Chair Klattenberg asked for a motion to adjourn. Made by Augie DeFrance and seconded by Phil Pessina, the vote was unanimous and the meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.